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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

7 ALASKA GROWTH CAPITAL BIDCO, )  
8 INC., ) CASE NO. C17-0734RSM  
9 Plaintiff, )  
10 v. ) MINUTE ORDER STRIKING NOTICE OF  
11 KLAWOCK OCEANSIDE, INC., *et al.*, ) WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL AND  
12 ) REINSTATING COUNSEL  
13 Defendants. )

14 The following MINUTE ORDER is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable  
15 Ricardo S. Martinez, Chief United States District Judge:

16 On May 22, 2017, attorney R. Isaak Hurst of International Maritime Group, PLLC, filed  
17 a Notice of Withdrawal of Counsel, purporting to terminate himself as counsel for Defendants  
18 in this action. Dkt. #14. This Notice of Withdrawal does not at all comport with the Court's  
19 Local Rules. As an initial matter, withdrawal of counsel may only be accomplished with leave  
20 of court (with the exception of a change of counsel within the same law firm). Local Civil Rule  
21 83.2(b)(1). Further, business entities must be represented by counsel, and any counsel desiring  
22 to withdraw representation of a business entity must certify that it has advised the entity of that  
23 requirement. LCR 83.2(b)(3). Likewise, any attorney desiring to withdraw representation of  
24 individuals which will result in such parties proceeding *pro se* must certify that the individuals  
25 have been advised of the withdrawal. LCR 83.2(b)(1). Not only has Mr. Hurst failed to  
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1 properly request leave from the Court to withdraw, he has also failed to include any of the  
2 required certifications.

3 Accordingly, Mr. Hurst's Notice of Withdrawal of Counsel (Dkt. #14) is STRICKEN  
4 AS IMPROPER, and Mr. Hurst shall be REINSTATED as counsel for Defendants. LCR  
5 83.2(b)(6). Unless or until Mr. Hurst files a proper request to withdraw as counsel, comporting  
6 with the Court's Local Civil Rule 83.2, his authority and duties as counsel of record shall  
7 continue in this matter.  
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9 The Clerk SHALL send a copy of this Order to all counsel of record, and to Mr. Hurst  
10 at the address provided on the Court's docket.  
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12 DATED this 23rd day of May, 2017.

13 WILLIAM McCOOL, Clerk

14 By: /s/ Rhonda Stiles  
15 Deputy Clerk  
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